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DATE: June 11, 2008  
TO: All Large Animal and Saleyard Veterinarians  
FROM: State Veterinarian  
RE: MONTANA CATTLE – BRUCELOSIS TESTING

A second case of Brucellosis found in Montana livestock has cost the state its class free status. Therefore, a negative test for Brucellosis within 30 days of entry will be required on the following class of cattle coming from Montana:

1. Any breed bull over six months,
2. Any beef breed female over 24 months,
3. Any dairy female over 20 months.

Any breed female over four months of age will need to be vaccinated for Brucellosis.

Cattle going to a State-Federally Approved livestock market for sale can be tested on arrival to meet import or destination requirements.

Cattle going to Restricted Feedlots are exempt from the testing and vaccination requirement.

NOTE: Tuberculosis testing continues to be required on all dairy bulls and females over six months. Dairy calves under six months of age will be identified before entry into the state and quarantined and tested negative at six month of age before release.